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For: DISK ARRAY DEVICE AND CONTROL) Examiner
METHOD OF DISK ARRAY DEVICE) Pinchus M. Laufer
Attorney Docket No. ASAM.0099)

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Washington, D.C. 20231

COVER LETTER

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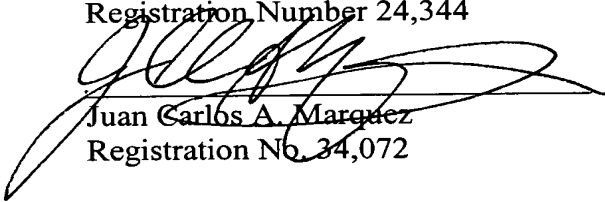
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RENEWED PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Sir:

This is in response to the Decision on Petition under MPEP 708.02 mailed on April 28, 2005 and the telephone conversation with the Examiner on May 3, 2005. The period of response for the Decision is set to expire on June 28, 2005. The Petition To Make Special Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) For Accelerated Examination was denied on the grounds that the discussion regarding claim 15 did not quote the language from claim 15 but from the specification.

Applicants hereby correct a typing error in the first full paragraph on page 9 of the Petition as follows: "The invention (e.g. Fig. 10), as now recited in claim [[8]] 15."

Applicants respectfully contend that the discussion of each listed reference actually corresponds to the quoted language from claim 15 as shown word for word as follows, except the insertion beginning with "i.e.," in the parentheses.

The last paragraph of Claim 15 recites "said data transfer integrated circuit of said second controller for providing access to said cache memory of said second controller

by use of a specified number of ones of said data buses, which number is determinable in accordance with said access type being set in the access request.”

As an example, the last sentence of the discussion regarding Ichikawa in the first full paragraph on page 7 of the Petition discusses “Ichikawa’s data transfer control means (DMAC) 6 does not respond “....” as now recited in claims 1 & 8, or provide “access to said cache memory 60 of said second controller 1002 by use of a specified number of ones of said data buses, which number is determinable in accordance with said access type (i.e., indicative of whether the access request is from any one of said channel control units 40 and said disk control units 50 or from said CPU 30) being set in the access request” as now recited in claim 15.

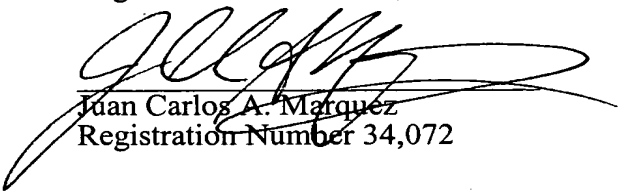
Applicants hereby request reconsideration of the above-referenced petition in view of the above-mentioned supporting information, specifically, in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Decision on Petition under MPEP 708.02.

In view of the above discussion, Applicants respectfully submit that all formal requirements for acceptance of this application for consideration on the merits have been completed. Applicants request that this petition thereby be granted so as to accept this application as complete for consideration on the merits, that an Official Filing Receipt be issued for this application and that the application be forwarded to the appropriate examining group.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees necessary or to refund any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 08-1480 for furnishing this Further Supplement to the Petition.

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